

ALEXANDRIA:

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 20, 1861. SENATE .- In the Senate, yesterday, resolutions were introduced in regard to the appointment of certain officers, and the qualification of Senators, alleged to have been elected by State legislators not sworn to support the Constitution of the United States. A debate took place upon the resolutions of Mr. Douglas.

THE STATE CONVENTION .- In the Convention, yesterday, the proposed amendments to the Constitution were reported, and the question of taxation debated.

VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE. - In the Senute on Monday, a bill was passed authorizing the Petersburg Railroad Company to increase its eapital stock. The Committee of Courts of the game of Keno. The tax bill, of which Keno formed a part, was debated. In the House of Delegates, a bill for the relief of the sureties of Thos. K. Davis, late Sheriff of Prince William county, was passed, as were a number of loca! bills.

Among the passengers who arrived at New York by the steamship Arabia was Mr. W. H. Russell, the special correspondent of the slightly in the operation. London Times, who has come to this counvolt, his letters will doubtless be looked for | son, of Maryland. with much interest.

and to adjust and equalize as nearly as possible the interests of all sections, evince no desire for Union, and are false to the spirit of liberty. To them will belong the barrou

From the remarks in the Alabama, and there is evidently considerable difference of | the new government of the Confederate roads will be scopped, etc. objections for the present, at least.

the Administration at Washington, for offi- foundation for the rumor. ces, for an extra session of Congress-and

We hope the State Convention will not pass upon any other subjects than those which relate to federal relations -- other matters ought not now to be introduced. We are in 'trouble enough-without having additional causes of division of sentiment brought up.

Many of the stories set affont recently about emigration from Virginia to certain other States, are said to be all gammon. The probability is that the emigration will be to Virginia. Our State is the best, greatest,

safest land on the continent of America. The Richmond Whig says that the instruction resolutions-as they purported to berecently passed in Petersburg, were no instructions at all. The majority was for Se-

It is said that most of the new appointments to high stations, are from the moderate wing of the Republican party. We do not know how this is. Several of these appointments ought never to have been made.

cession, however.

The returns from Texas show a majority of 23,559 for Secession. The vote was -- for Secesion 34,794-against it 11,235. The vote for, is said to be less than one half the ordinary vote of the State.

Gov. Wise and Sepator Hunter once dif fered-and on the issue was not there a future. great emtest?-upon the subject of Congressional "protection" in the territories .--

Do they still differ? The Treasury Department has received information that the Texas authorities have seized the United States vessel Guthrie,

which supplies oil and previsions to the lighthouses on that e mst. A letter from Lynchburg in the Richmond Dispatch says "the great South-western mail

has been taken off the route via Lynchburg. | the credit of the works. and is now carried by another route."

specie payments, it is thought not unlikely | built, at a considerable cost. It is thought

that the Baltimore banks will "follow suit"

Senator Breekinridge's speech on Monday was un able one. Much of what he said ought to be well considered by the Northern people, and the new Administration.

fresh mint has appeared, with the other green things of Spring. This is a Southern | production which has been nationalized.

Hon. Waldo P. Johnson, the newly elected Senator from Missouri, is a Virginian. amid a "calithumpian seronade." and son of Ex-Gov. Joseph Johnson.

On Monday morning it rained at Augus. ta, Ga., and snowed at Raleigh and Peters. Antirit.

welt street. N. Y., and bas caused quite a grandchildren. sensation!

The Rev. George W. Carter did not Va., last Saturday. speak in Richmond, on Monday night, as was expected.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

"To show the very age and body of the TIMES." One clause of a bill in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors, which passed the Massachusetts House of Representatives on Friday, provides that the husband, wife, parent, child, guardien or employer of any person who hereafter may have the habit of drinking spirituous or intoxicating liquors to excess, may, in an action of tort against any person or persons who shall sell or deliver unlawfully to the persons having such

ceeding \$500 and not less than \$21. Cadets Moreno and Semmes, the former from Florida and the latter from Alabama, have both resigned their appointments, and will leave West Point immediately for Montgomery. The latter young gentleman is a son of Commander Raphael Semmes, who resigned from the navy about a month ago. There are now no cadets at West Point from the seceded States.

habit, recover as damages any sum not ex-

Captain Garnett, who wassent by the United States Government to Europe to observe the artillery improvements going on in the services of the different powers, visited, a few months since, the "cannon depots" of Paris, and saw the Frenchmen go through their evolutions. He says that their proficiency in gunning is greater than that of

A Board of Medical Officers will assemble in New York city on the 1st day of May next or as soon thereafter as practicable, for the examination of Assistant Surgeons for promotion, and of such candidates for appointment as may be invited to present themselves before the Board.

The Columbia (S. C.) Guardian of Satur-Lustice were instructed to inquire into the day contradicts, in the most positive terms, expediency of reporting a bill prohibiting the assertions contained in a widely circulated letter, purporting to have been written by one "Judge Robert Lyon," of Abbeville, South Carolina, and which originally ap-

peared in the Waco (Texas) Gazette. A young lady was proceeding leisurely through Court street, Boston, on Friday, when a gentleman walking behind her discovered that the skirt of her dress was on fire. Without creating a general alarm, he extinguished the flames, burning his hands

By direction of the Naval Appropriation try for the purpose of giving a fair and im- bill, the Secretary of the Navy has just purpartial account of the nature and extent of chased the right to use "Davidson's Boat our political troubles; and from the celebri- Lowering, Detaching, and Attaching Appaty Mr. Russell has gained by his descrip- ratus," for \$10,000. The ingenious apparations of the Crimean war and the Indian re- tus is the invention of Lieut. Hunter David-

Colonel Henry R. Jackson has resigned It is well remarked in the Richmond his appointment of Major General of the Whig that those who refuse to concede at all, First Division of Georgia volunteers in favor of Col. William H. T. Walker, who resigned of Col. William H. T. Watzer, who resigned that the containing in the regular army to serve to make any new law or chapter, and convolved in some difficulty. After due delib-ties make any new law or chapter, and convolved in some difficulty. After due delib-ties make any new law or chapter, and convolved in some difficulty. After due delib-ties make any new law or chapter, and convolved in some difficulty. After due delib-ties make any new law or chapter, and convolved in some difficulty.

The Planters' Guard of Prince George county, Md., are fully armed and drilled. honor of having precipitated the Nation into | They have been doing service in squads, as civil war and destruction, should such a ca- a pairol, for two weeks pest. The ladies the character of the new Chapter? did it among us, for the ending of controversy, and lation to the general conference. are making preparations to present them establish itself as a doctrine? does it to promote the less interests of Methodism with a handsome flag.

If the Alamo Express be an index of the other papers, in some of the seconded States, Texas interior, secession is not going on "unanimously." The editor featlessly at opinion with regard to the powers of the | tooks the Secessionists, and says direct taxa-Stathern Congress, and the proceedings of tion forthwith will be necessary, all new rails and that was the question which we have to

Md., having thoroughly investigated the rumored negro insurrection near Rockville a There is said to be a great pressure upon | few days since, report that there was no

It is understood that the new Secretary of from the best quarters, for a pacific peace | the Navy has set his veto upon official prepolicy, which will save us, at least, from civ- scription, and will make but few removals in by saying slavery must exist as property, his Department, except for cause. He has -filled several vacancies which existed.

The Columbus (Ga.) Enquirer remarks that the shipment of corn South by the Mississioni river appears to be as large as by the railroad routes. Immense stores of it have accumulated at New Orleans.

The city of Atlanta, Ga., has been declared a port of entry and delivery, and Francis J. Shackelford appointed collector.

---VIRGINIA NEWS.

The annual report of the Petersburg and Weldon Railroad Company shows a falling off of nearly \$17,000 in gross receipts as compared with the previous year, three-fourths of which is in the passenger department, caused by the interruption of travel arising out of the distarbed condition of the country during the latter part of the year. The aggregate debt of the company has been reluced to 899,266.

The memorial adopted by the Laymen's Convention of the Baltimore Conference, M. E. Church, at Staunton on Saturday last, urges an immediate separation from the Northern Conferences-that is to say, to secede with the view of reconstruction. The memorial proposes a renaion at such time as the General Conference may consent to abrogate its article declaring slavery to be a sin.

Three men named Stevens, Thompson and Cheatham, claiming to be Baltimore 'Roughs,' were arraigned before the Mayor of Petersburg, Saturday morning, upon a charge of return from Richmond, Friday night. The las he had done, at the midnight hour. trio gave bonds for their better behavior in

The two negroes who last week attempted to rob and murder Mr. Chas. E. Jones, who lives near the gold mines in Louisa county, Va., have since that time been tried by the County Court and condemned to be hung .-The indignation of the result was greatly excited against them, and at one time it was

feared they would be hanged by the populace. The Richmond Gas Works are owned by the city, and we find it stated that they made over and above exponses last year, \$49,154,-13. from which deduct expenses of construction, &c., (88,886,93.) leaving \$40,362,00, to

The Methodist Church, of Elk, in Barbour county, Va., was consumed by fire on list The Philadelphia banks, have resumed | Thursday night. The Church was recently to have been set on fice by some malicious

> The official proceedings of the Yirginia Students of the University of Virginia, in favor of "immediate secession" have been published. The resolutions go for the right and the dury of secession,

John R. Braener, of Knoxville, has been Virginia rails ad.

known as "Fort Sumter," was demolished often made the attempt; and if that was by the citizens of that place last week. Hampden Sydney College, so the 4th inst.,

Rev. P. S. Henson, formerly of Virginia, has accepted a call to the Broad Street Baprist Church, Philadelphia.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fudge died in Washington county, Ve., on the 2th instant, Laving one would do so. God forbid that any personal Mr. Robert Wolfolk on one side, and Mesers. city about 2 o'clock this afternoon, to bring Paul, has declared from the pulpit "that Saviour; but he had not united himself with any personal Mr. Robert Wolfolk on one side, and Mesers. A glast is said to hount a house in Roose- bundred great children and nearly fifty great difficulties might arise from this question— C. M. Flourney and R. S. Flourn

John Van Riper, suspected of being an very foundation of the earth move. abolitionist, was ordered to leave Petersburg,

George W. Helm was drowned in Harris son county, Va., on the 3d inst.

Proceedings of the Baltimore Annual Conference-Fifth Day, Monday.

REPORTED FOR THE ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE. Religious service conducted by Rev. Thos.

Journal read and approved. from Dickenson College, showing an increase of the report by the Laymen's Convention. in the number of students. On motion, it was referred to the Committee on Affairs of of the College) was introduced and addressed | the M. E. Church within the bounds of the the Conference, giving an account of the Baltimore Conference convened in Stauaton, College as hopeful, and insisting, that in under a call of the Presiding Elders and an

the Joint Board of Stewards, asked for in- sions, and present the same for your most structions from the Conference with regard to favorable considerationcertain certificates presenting the claims of

to which they referred.

quired into by the Board of Stewards. M. May and C. C. Calvist, candidates for when the Bishop examined their class,) were called, and passed their examination, and

Rev. Mr. N. Wilson moved that the report of Laymen's Convention be read, which motion prevailed. Rev. Mr. --- said that he was informed

that the report was not ready to be pre-On motion of Rev. Mr. Roszell, a Committee was appointed on Affairs of Metropol-

Mr. Themas moved that the speakers be limited strictly to 30 minutes. The Chair said that the motion order of the day had not been taken up.

itan Church of Washington City.

On motion, the order of the day was ta-

The Rev. Mr. Hetrick could not take upon himself the ordination vows, according to the new Chapter.

Rev. Geo. W. Israel obtained the floor. and delivered (as the supporters of Seces- an extra session of the General Conference. sion say) an able and unanswerable argu- 1f, however, is would unite all our preachers ment, in favor of a division in the Church. question was, what should be done? We the unity of the body, and the whole body, action proposed, we would wait until said and that could not be done, unless we go date. back to fundamental principles. He read that the General Conference had no power and excitement amongst us, we will be inthat it was the General Conference. The lask our preparers of the Buildingre Annual for their government. He asked what was the gospel, that it may find ready entrance and western churches to ascertain their reof the doctrine? He rend the rule, and said he supposed it was the definition of helief, connexion-now merely nominal-one which He asked if it was not intended as the does hopes of peace or the advancement of Chriss will have passed away. He is yet a young trine, or a declaration of belief and faith: rightly in our mist, in the anner pre- man, and gave promise of great brilliance as come up and meet. He said that the Broth-States. But the general idea is, to waiva The grand jury of Montgomery county, er who had roiused to take the ordination yows, was right in doing as he did, and had assumed the proper_position, and if he thought the General Conference had passed new rules, which were inconsistent with the ry to his own convictions, he could not take

established laws of the Church, and contra- and that the Baltimere Annual Conference does the ordination vows. Mr. Israel continued. or not at all. He stood upon the Constitution of the Church, and that the doctrine of the new Chapter, was a false dootrine, and he would not stand by it. After some able remarks, in regard to the

power invest d in the General Conference. he asked whether, when an applicant came | ences represented therein; and concurring in said up before Conference for ordination, and he action from the Bultimore and other non-concur was asked whether or not be believed in the ring Conferences, and that the Baltimore and new chapter, and he replied he did not, he would be or could be ordained according to the laws of the Church? He thought not, and there was something in the way at once of the prayers of the Church. He said, the it did those who applied for admission into, and communion with the Church. He said that the Baltimore Conference could stand upon the original constitution of the Church. Bishops, before he would sacrifice a principle. We must not submit to the jurisdiction of the General Conference, upon this question. He would refer this question to the authorities of New York, and ask them whether the General Conference, or we, had been the revolutioners. He had been opposed to the Laymen's Convention, at first but when he came here and saw these men who had come hundreds of miles, and had seen the anxiety manifested by them upon the question, he

sued. He believed that God would ranke action as the position we occupy rough them one, and we would yet go out from this Conference a unit. He wished that all Mr. Israel concluded after some few

marks more upon the question. Rev. Mr. - suggested that the Presiwritten to, to know whether the members of | n 3 P. M. the Conference would be furnished with re-

Mr. Lanahan arose and said that he had written to the President of the road, and that he had said in reply that he would not issue any return tickets, or make any reduction tows with a portion under Mr. Lincoln? That would be too cruel." tion in the fare, (which settled the matter.) protest, and that it would be establishing a Just here I would say that any Kailroad that | bad procedent. would refuse to give as much as a free passage one way upon their road to the ministry, is not worthy the respect and encouragement of a christian people. All the other

Rev. Mr. Isane Gibson took the floor and made a long and able argument in favor of

nower of majorities over minorities and "vice quest, It is duly chronicied at the South that elected president of the East Tennessee and versa." He showed that the Ganeral Con-A house of all-four, in Wytheville, Va., sive chapter until 1860, though they had Conference, to join the Church, South. doctrine of the church, or any thing like the | pied in examining the character of effective | though they might not be very distinguished President Line in was burnt in effigy at original compact, it would have been established the selection of continuance of engineers, so far as religion was concerned lished as such before 1860. He urged the Superannuated ministers. brethren to stand by the old Ark, never to forsake her until denth, and if they would stand by the original doctrine of the Church, God would protect them. He intended Welearn from the Indianala Texas Cours sacila, received in Mobile, dated March 13. Minnesota, and in view of the above, adoptstanding by it until his frail body shall re- fer that an offray occurred in Texana, Jack- says :-turn to dust, and he hoped the whole church son county, on Wednesday, 7th, between | "The steamer Wyandotte came up to the but when we reach it, stand by it though the other. Several shots were exchanged with Island, near Fort Pickens, and arrested by therefore

explanation, in regard to some remarks made. The Flournays were arrested, and upon ex- and otte came up to the wharf, and handed ever, that nothing heroin contained is in- my spirit,"

The report of the Laymen's Convention | Maryland Annual Conference-Methodist Prowas presented and read by Rev. Mr. Roszell on the form of a memorial, and was idid upon the table in connection with the other memorials which had been presented. and made the order of the day for te-morrow at 10 o'clock. By request, the Secretary an-A paper was presented by the Bishop, nounced the vote as it stood upon the adoption

The memorial is as follows :-FATHERS & BRETHREN: -The Convention Dickenson College. Dr. Johnson, (President of Laymen representing the membership of view of its location and the wide spread pa- equal number of Laymen, on the 13th of tronizing territory which the College holds, March 1861, for the purpose of devising some it ought to be liberally endowed. B. Hough, harmonious plan of action to be pursued by (Conference Tract Agent,) presented his the Ministry and Laity of said Conference, in second annual report, which was read and relation to the offensive change of the Discireferred to a Committee on the Tract cause. pline of the M. E. Church on the subject of The Rev. T. H. W. Monroe, Chairman of slavery, has reached the following conclu-

Whereas, The late General Conference, which assembled a Buffalo, substituted with-On motion of Rev. Mr. Phelps, the Stew- out proper authority an entirely New Chanards were anthorized to exercise their dis- | ter on the subject of slaveholding, making, in cretion in the adjustment of the difficulties | the opinion of many of our people, a new rule of doctrine, namely, that slavery is a On motion of Mr. Wilson, the traveling | sin, contrary to the 1st restrictive rule, and expenses of the lay Stewards are to be en- therefore virtually making non-slaveholding a test of membership, and atterly closing all dors of entrance to the people against the Deacons orders, (not present on Saturday prenchers of your Conference, if they endorse Lean, Wilson, Boyd, Morgan, Bryan, Baker

The Baltimore Conference has, by ununiwere elected to membership and Deacons mous vote, again and again assured our people, in the midst of strife engendered by this agitation, that it disclaimed having the least sympathy with abolitionists; that, on the contrary, it was determined not to hold connexion with any englesiastical body that made non-slaveholding a condition of inembership in the Church, and that it was opposed to any inquisition into the motives un-The people new demand a fulfilment of these pledges.

No sufficient reason can be given for the entirely in their own hands, but that the of opinion is not desired by a large majori- their several charges, no superintendent ty of our Northern brethren, except upon

terms that would prove our rain. We would like to accord to the views of and people in combined action, he waiting He said, that they had reached a fearful cri- until December 4th, 1861, to give the other sis in the History of the Church, and the Conferences an opportunity to declare the pondence with the western and northern action of the late General Conference unought to be seriously concerned, to preserve constitutional, and to consur with us in the the next conference. Adented, the unity of the body, and the whole body, action proposed, we would wait until said Revs. Jordan and McFaden and E. Ma-

from the original law of the Church, to show ever course you may take to aliay the strife the President. General Conference could not pass, with the Conference, that, for the sake of quiet in our | George Vickers, esq., were appointed a compower invested in itself, any such new rule borders-for the sake of the preaching of time after time in our people and sunder a linding to his present feeble health, and exor in other words, a declaration of faith .- is full of strife and positive death to all | shall assemble in another annual session be scribed in the following resolutions:

1st, Proofeed, That the Bultiprore Annual Conference ought, at its present session, to dealare that the General Conference of the M. E. Cirarea, helwhich has hitherto held us together as one Church, not and cannot longer recognize its connection

2d. Resideed, That the Bullimore Annual Conference do assert that the said General Confer once has, by its said action, violated the 1st restrictive rate, which decimes the General Conference shall not revoke, alter, er change our Arti-M. E. Church proper, and may exercise all the

rights, ducies, and powers apportaining properly to their position as such 3d. Revolved, That nevertheless, if in accordance with the spirit of the foregoing pressible new chapter was abolition in dectrine, and three fourths of the several Annual Conferences. pro-slavery in practice. If this new rule to be held prior to December 4th, 1861, seeing the did not prohibit those who are in the Church, great wrong and injury done to the Bultimore and other Border Conferences, shall unite in a demand that the most thorough and satisfactory redress shall be given, and shall instruct their delegates so to vote in General Conference: First, The abregation of the New Chanter. Second, By ignor-He would sacrified the Beshop, and all the ing the whole subject of slavery in the Discipline. Third. That a fair proportion of the periodicals of the Church be placed under the charge and direction of said Conferences. Then, and not until then, will we re-unite with them in the bonds

Church fellowship. 4th. Received. That a Committee be appointed by this Convention, to present the proceedings of Annual Conference, through such members of the Conference as they may elect, and that they be instructed so to do, at the earliest practicable moment, and that the Conference ha requested to honored them for the course they had pur- | Conferences, and to take, at the proper time, such | have few left on whom they could be y for

molesting the secession delegation on their the brethren had come to their conclusions. Conference for the courtesy extended to them fisted, hard-working men everywhere, who on Saturday by the D. D. and Blind Insti- are expected to do all the fighting when their edered to be presented to the Principal and dent of the Virginia Central Railroad be Conference adjourned to meet this evening with it. For awhile they were disposed to

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peet the Brother to take the ordination vows, when they came in conflict with the laws of scripture and his conscience, and he would country, where there had been lately so roads have extended this courtesy to the advise the brothers to await the action of the much excitement—all of which he trusted not wish to be misunderstood in regard to the matter; he had not asked to be ordaindivision in the Church, which I am una- ed, but had told the hisher that he preferred disunion and civil war-there was but one ble to present, owing to the fact that the to wait another year, to being ordained with rule for a Catbolic wherever he was, that evening session of the Conference took up so the new chanter, and would wait ten years. much of my time as to prevent me from rather than take the ordination yows with the zen. It, living South of Mason and Dixon's ten to one more than there was last year. and the best of good cheer, in which respect writing out any thing like a full report of new chapter. The First-year's Class were line, he thought those on that side were right, He argued ably the question as to the Jones, who was discontinued by his own ro. | the other way, we would light too. [Ap-

the The remainder of the alternoon was occu-On motion, the Conference adjourned.

testant Church.

New ARE, N. J., March 16 .- The adjournment over from Friday to Monday was reconsidered, business pressing and members being anxious to return home.

The committee on President's message recommend: 1. That Conference ordain no one hereafter unless he shall have passed his examination before the theological and literary committee on all studies recommend- for many years, largely engaged in manued, and is in other respects qualified. Adop- facturing interests, and he enjoys a high ted. 2. That ministers be careful to secure valid titles for all church property purchased or erected by the church; and that all churches be incorporated. Adopted. 3. As roughly arranged, corrected, and methordia means of increasing the superannuated cal, and some things were said of a novel fund, that ministers endeavor to secure one thousand additional subscribers to the Methodist Protestant. Adopted. 4. That ministers conduct public worship according to directions in discipline, and not impose their of the Senators who have withdrawn from own fancy or introduce new modes. Adopt- the body. The gentleman should have re-

Rev. E. Y. Reese, D. D., was appointed to deliver a lecture at the next session of

Conference, on rhetoric and elecution. George Vickers, esq., was appointed to prepare legal forms of bequests, &c., for the se of the church in various parts of the Maryland district.

The committee on superannuated claims reported the following persons as superannuated : Revs. Josiah Varden, Henkle, Mcand Greenaway. They also reported a resolution requiring the claimants on the superanguated funds to furnish the conference riewart the names and ages of such of their children as are entitled to aid from that tond Adopted The committee to whom certain papers

were referred report the following resolution: "That Conference cannot recognize as a minister of the Methodist Protestant Church any man who does not bring credentials derlying the relation of master and slave. from some other orthodox denomination, or who has not received suitable documents of ministerial character from our own church; and in the judgment of this body, in returnmaintenance of a connexion which we are jug the list of ministers and preachers on shall name any person who does not possess the papers required by law."

The committee on the inquiries of George many of our brethren to await the call of | Vickers, esq., respecting the relation of the an extra session of the General Conference Northern and Western Methodist Protesin 1862, did we see any tops of said session tent Conferences to the General Conference being held or any relief from the action of the church, with the view of determining of the church, with the view of determining the ratio of representation to that body, offer the following resolution:

"Resolved, That a committee he appoints ed to clicit the facts in the case, by a corresretinent and that the committee report at

thers, esq. were appointed a committee to report a pion for securing a parsonage for Rays, Roby and Elderdies and E. Marb-

ers, esq., were appointed a committee on the president's salary Roys, L. W. Bates and David Wilson and mittee of correspondence with the northern

At the close of this day's session pressing the conviction that ere conference a preacher, but consumption with a stere hand holds him from rising to that earthly position which it was hoped he would attain.

FOREIGN MISCELLANY.

Fuel is very costly in Paris. French coal is of inferior quality, and the mines are inconvenient of access and distant. Wood is hiefly used in families, and very sparingly, The Emperor has a project before him supplying Paris with coal from the mines of England and Belgium, which are

almost apon the ocean. The Duke of Southerland, whose death, at papers, was much less known in public life than the magnificent Duchess. Of a delicate constitution, and of a naturally retiring disposition, he lead a life of strict privacy, and he was chiefly known as one of the wealthiest members of the peerage, and as a munificent patron of literature and art.

McGregor Laird, the African explorer, has just died in England. He published a "Narrative of an Expedition up the Rayer Niger,

Sir Charles Fellowes has bequeathed the watch of Milton to the British Museum, with the stipulation that it shall always be kept exposed to public view.

------Dissarisraction .- We find the following paragraph in the North Alabamian of the th of March:

"Our neighbor of the Constitution rather pettishly suggests that if the e iter of the North Alabamian is not satisfied with the Government of the new Confederacy he had better leave it. If all were to leave who are dissatisfied, we fear the remainder would summunicate the action had, to the several Annual | soon have to leave or do worse, for they would self-protection. It is a remarkable fact, and why it is so we know not, that the substan-A resolution, returning the thanks of the tigl, physical force of the country-the bardtotion was presented and passed, and a copy | country calls-were from the beginning opbesed to the ordinance of secession, and are Faculty of said Institution. On motion, the becoming daily more and more dissatisfied acquiesce, but, as they watch the further developments of that measure, the mattering Rev. N. Wilson asked whether Brother thunders of their indignation cannot be lon-Heterick could not be allowed to take the or- ger suppressed. Would you have them all dination yows, excepting the new chapter? leave, and thus abandon the succession aris The Chair replied that no Brother could take | lowrown of the South to the tender mores of

Aксивачное Исоназов тие Causis,—Arch bishop Hughes snoke in New York on Satur-

day, and closed his remarks as follows: He concluded by saving that in our own Conference. Rev. Mr. Heterick said be did | would terminate amicably-[applause]-for every man, North and South (they called it was to do his duty-to do his duty as a citicalled and communed on trial, except E. If incomplete fight there; and if we here thought beginning to arrive daily, and all bid fair distress, he was kind and charitable. Rev. Mr. Arbagast (Lamerly of this deep and wide they might contrive to make their political relations, they could not divide this country a once, or go to South Carolina and damp, and the ground wet. On his return (Great appliance and laughter.)" &

effect; the first named gentleman being killed. Lieut. Slemmer, who sent them to fown to be Rev. Mr. Hurt rose, and made a personal and the older Flournov severely wounded, delivered to the State authorities. The Wy- self a second Balaum's Ass; Provided, howby Judge Bond, of Baltimore, before the unimation admitted to bail in bonds of \$5000 them. The Flournoys were arreston, and upon explanation, in regard to some remarks made the Flournoys were arreston, and upon explanation, in regard to some remarks made the Flournoys were arreston, and upon explanation, in regard to some remarks made the flournoys were arreston, and upon explanation, in regard to some remarks made the flournoys were arreston, and upon explanation, in regard to some remarks made the flournoys were arreston, and upon explanation admitted to bail in bonds of \$5000 them.

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OUR WASHINGTON LETTER:

WASHINGTON, March 19 .- Mr. Siminons, of Rhode Island, was the principal speaker in the open session of the Senate to-day. His speech was upon different subjects, but he dwelt mainly on the national crisis and the financial condition of the country, both present and prospective. Senator S., was reputation for skill in financial and commercial matters. The effort to-day was not tho-Governors of the seceded States should at once appoint persons to fill the vacant seats flected upon the fact that the chief magistrates presiding over the "fallen stars" of the Union, with the exception of the Texan hero of "San Jacinto," are decidedly dis-

lander, if even they possessed the power under their respective constitutions to do so. Upon the estimated amount of revenue which the new tariff would produce, the Senator, (considering his extensive acquaintance with the commerce and business of the country, and his financial ability,) expressed an opinion a little surprising, not to say startling. According to the estimates he had made the tariff would yield the sum of press or out of it, I ask that it will be for one hundred millions of dollars per annum. If the honorable Senator even approaches to accuracy, it will be a most gratifying result, and will gladden the bearts of the holders of Government stocks, and the friends of the country both at home and abroad. Embarrassing as it is and should be, to differ with the Senator in his opinion, I am constrained | up and passed. to say that I am seriously apprehensive that his figures are entirely too large, but I repeat it would be a matter for gratulation from Strasburg to Winchester, was taken up, and rejoicing if in the sequel he proved to and having, on motion of Mr. Marshall, been

It is believed that there were no nominations sent to the Senate by the President to-

In political circles a good many comments are made upon the nominations for four of the European courts, published in the Gazette of this morning. There are men among us who are sorely disappointed-patriots who most sincerely believed that they themselves would grace foreign courts, and they are amuzed that their superior claims have been overlooked. There may and doubtless is in the South great political oblections, to the names on the list, but it is gratifying to know that at least ability, and that too of a high order, is conceded to each of them. Our country will at any rate be represented at the Courts of England, France, Sardinia and Turkey, by men of tal-

ents, of polish, and good address. It would seem now to be a given up point -a foregone conclusion, that Ward B. Lammon, esa., the law partner of President Lincoln in Illinois, is to be the fortunate recipient of the Marshalship of the District of President, very popular at home, and, a lady informs me, a handsome man. His friends provide that no auctioneer shall pay more declare that he did not desire the fat office (worth lifteen thousand or more) but like one-half of one per centum imposed upon the third Richard he will "meekly suffer the honor to be buckled on him." Some aspirants for this position are riled-they are bill, the Senate adjourned. vulgarly called sore heads. 110 MO.

The Pike's Peak Country.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette. WESTERN SLOPE OF ROCKY MOUNTAINS, Feb. 22.-In the midst of the present excitement, I have thought you would like to the price being half a cent a pound, and the | hear something from this quarter. Pike's quality poor, mostly small sticks of beach | Peak has declared herself out of the Union, and intends keeping out !! She is now 14,-000 feet above you all, and there she will stay!! We have raised a Palmetto flag 75 feet above the top of Fremont's Peak, and it the age of 75, is announced in the English | can be seen for many miles, in all directions! We have just held a miners' meeting, and resolved to fire 100 gans, not cannons, for South Carolina, and raise the above flag. We are very much amused at the numerous bands of Indians in the neighborhood of our tiag. They have their war dances daily under its out spreading folds, and they cannot imagine its meaning; but they all know

"there is a screw loose somewhere." I have just returned from a prospecting trip over the Snowy Range, with a little band of twenty good miners. We made some very good discoveries on the Western slope, about 10 miles west of Gold Lake and Gold Hill. In one place we struck a blossom rock, which presented rather a peculiar appearance. The blossom appeared of a yellowish and dark color, and was very heavy. We sunk a shaft a few feet, and gathered a good many specimens, which we took out for examination and assay, and the ore will yield one thousand and ninety-four dollars in gold, and eight hundred and thirtyeight dollars in silver to the ton. We have staked out in claims every thing for one mile that we think will pay. This we have called the Palmetto District and Palmetto Lode. I predict a "rush" to this section of country

Capt. Scott has commenced working a ode near the bank of the Picturesque Lake, which yields about 30 cents to the pan, and is easily washed. Capt. Scott is from Georgia, and works about thirty hands, and has ment in Louisiana is strong. already made a fortune. Many other lodes are worked in this section of country, which show a large per centage of from and Califor-

Nor is Gold Hill altogether neglected .-There are four tunnels, running in different devoted and truly beloved wife, three daughterdirections, under the Hill. The Pioneer and numerous friends and relations, to deplote tunnel is owned by Holly, Brely & Co., who | their loss. sommenced in September last, and have now progressed one hundred and seventy- him well. At an early period he was a success live feet through granite rock. Mr. Chas. Pameast, of Virginia, has been

of Gold Hill, and has made an immense amount of money. This country is improving rapidly in new lisenveries, and every day brings in additional important discoveries of new gold and

Things are brightening up. Emigrants are

for heavy mining operations this Spring and My advice to all broken down individuals, pected. On Saturday evening, in usual health terence had never enacted any such offen- place) was allowed to withdraw from the the chasm dividing the North and South in who are not afraid to work, is to come to he walked to a distant field—the evening was cold

> and enlist under the Palmetto Flag!! H. TIT FOR TAT -At St. Paul, recently, a he was taken home, and the best medical at they could throw a bridge over the chasm .- Rev. Mr. Fisk declared "that John Brown | called to his relief; but he was too far gone, and was a second Jesus Christ." Some sensible | no re-action could be produced. He lingered unmen assembled to consider certain political til Tuesday morning, nuable all the time, by words Pressents -A disputch from Pen-matters concerning the domestic interests of wishes to his afficient at his had side ed the following:

"Whereas, The Rev. Mr. Fisk, of St. Christian religion, and said his trust was in the

Resolved. That Mr. Fisk has made him-

Letter from Richmond. Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette

RICHMOND, March 16 .-- A week or more since, I addressed to you a letter from this place, in which I bore, as you seem to think in some comments made upon it, somewhat harshly on the Opposition press of Virginia. and upon my remarks you have put a stress which neither their design nor their language deserved. I intended nothing more than a friendly hint to the press of my own party, throughout the State, not to allow the Disunion sensation press of Virginia to out. strip them in furnishing matter for public information. I will add that I certainly did character. For instance he said that the not mean to underrate your own paper, the Gazette. My opinion of that, and in its praise and commendation I have often expressed, and I now pay it the same compliment-thinking it one of the best in the whole country, and a model paper. A misprint, probably the result of bad chirography, in the letter referred to, made me sav. then, far less of the Gazette than I meant to say. I regret the misconstruction, for no man in the Union is more willing than I am union in act and sentiment, and it is not to acknowledge any and every service renwithin the reach of probability that they dered in the cause of the Union. Perhaps. would gratify the wishes of the Rhode Isin my strong devotion to the Union, and my ardent desire to save it, I may expect more than I can get : but it is, I trust, an amiable weakness, which I hope you will excuse and forgive. I act for the best-for the Union-the greatest, grandest, noblest of human interests-the Union of these American States. If, in anxious solicitude in such a cause. I have done injustice to any, in the

> Yours, truly, &c. VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.

given and forgotten.

In the Senate on Monday, the Senate bill

to authorize the Petersburg Railroad Compa ny to increase its capital stock, was taken On motion of Mr. Gatewood, Senate bill to incorporate a company to construct a railroad

amended by striking out the words "to be connected with the Manassas Gap Railroad at Strasburg, and with the Alexandria, Loudoun and Hampshire Railroad at Winchester," it was ordered to be engrossed. A bill was passed authorizing the appoint ment of an inspector of leather in Hampshire

Mr. Brannon called for the order of the day-the bill imposing taxes for the support of Government.

On reaching the 24th section of the bill a discussion arose as to the tax to be placed on the game of Keno or Kino. Mr. Brannon proposed a tax of \$100 on

a single table, \$50 on the second, and \$10

on every other. Mr. Towers moved the following resolution, which was adopted: Resolved, That the Committee on Courts

of Justice be instructed to inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill prohibiting the game of Keno or Kino. So the matter rests in the hands of said committee.

The tax bill was then proceeded with, and olumbia. Lie is a great favorite with the I various verbal and other amendments mad thereto. In the 31st section the words which than \$1,000, was stricken out and a tax of

> the amount of sales of all auctioneers. Pending the further consideration of the

In the House of Delegates, a bill was passed for the relief of the securities of Thomas K. Davis, late Sheriff of Prince William County. The bill for re-chartering the Bank of Vir-

ginia, and all similar bills were made the

order of the day for Tuesday, at 12 o'clock. Senate bill "paying the amount of a lost coupon to James C. Maguire," was passed. AN UNFORTUNATE AFFRAY. - An unfortunate and bloody affray between two young

gentlemen belonging to the literary department of the University, occurred shortly at ter eleven o'clock, last Friday night at Oxford, Mississippi.

It seems that on that night there was a small concert given at the town hall, which was wound up with a dance by the au dience. Soon after the dance commenced, a dispute arose between Mr. Fearn Watkins and Mr. George Miller, both of whom we believe are from Hinds county. Watkins objected to settling the matter there, as is dies were present, and tried to evade it until the following morning. But in baif an hour or so after the ball broke up, they came together again in front of the new Masonic Hall, where Miller renewed the quarrel. Watkins then drew one of Smith Wesson's seven-shooting pistols, and commenced firing. He fired six shots in all, and at the fourth one Miller fired a Derringer and missed. One of Watkins' balls entered the body of Miller just above the navel, another in the left hip, another in the right cheek, another in the right arm; the fifth cut away a portion of his watch chain, while the sixth missed. Mr. Miller has so far recovered as to be able to travel

The Louisiana Convention on Saturday refused, by a vote of 74 to 26, to submit the permanent Constitution to the people for ratification. The despatch adds that two parties already exist in the State, ore for a reconstruction of the Union, the other in favor of a perpetual separation. The Union ele-

Departed this life, at Catalpa, near Cuipeper C. H., on the 12th of March, JAMES WITHERS Esq., in the 66th year of his age, leaving a most

The writer has been intimately acquainted with Mr. Withers for more than forty years, and knew ful merchant in Front Royal, where he soon at quired an ample estate, upon which he retired at working a tunnel on a lode on the west side | a farmer, and which he has managed judiciously enjoyed, and preserved unimpaired through life-At all times he has been reputed to be an honest. fair, and upright man in his dealings. In his domestic relations, where his virtues were meet conspicuous, he was kind, tender, and affectionate. A warm-hearted, devoted friend, no man in silver lodes, which will be engerly grasped his vicinity dispensed a more liberal and generous at by the emigration to this country this hospitality than he did. His guests always four Spring-and in my judgment there will be his doors open, and received a hearty welcome well sustained the high reputation of our belove-State. To the poor and friendless, and those in

Mr. Withers has been for many years in del cate health, yet his death was sudden and unex to the house, he fell, helpless and speechless, the ground, where he remained more than and a half hours. As soon as he was observed

wishes to his afflicted friends at his bed-side. In conversation, several years ago, with one of our favorite Divines, he professed his belief in the Church, and he was not able to manifest the state of his mind during his last illness; but from his past professions and exemplary life, we may hope and believe that, like Stephen in the dying hour. he prayed to God, saying, "Lord Jesus, receive